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January 22, 1993

Mr. Dan Washington Bureau of Land Management Bear River Resource Area 2370 South 2300 West Salt Lake City, Utah 84119

Dear Mr. Washington:

Re: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Turquoise Stone Project, S/003/020, Box Elder County, Utah

Thank you for forwarding the Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations for Northern Stone Supply's, Turquoise Stone Project, located in the NW 1/4 of Section 18, T13N, R13W, SLBM, Box Elder County, Utah. Your agency's designated number for this project is U-69380.

This letter is to inform you that the Division has evaluated the above mentioned Notice of Intent for completeness. The Notice does meet the requirements of Rule R647-3 of the 1988 Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Minerals Rules, and Title 40-8, et seq., of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975. However, from the information provided, it appears that variances for topsoil salvage and highwall stabilization may be justified. A site inspection will need to be performed to confirm the justification.

In addition, it is not clear whether the Dugway road to Rock Canyon was included in the 5 acre estimate of disturbance. The information required by the Division for a Large Mining Notice of Intention (operations over 5 acres) is more extensive than for a Small Mining Notice. The Division also requires a reclamation surety for "Large" mining operations. Please provide an acreage breakdown of your 5 acre estimate of disturbance. Please inform us of the next scheduled site inspection so a Division representative may attend.

It is understood that your office, acting as "Lead Agency" will notify the operator accordingly. Please provide us with a final copy of your completeness letter to the operator.

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Thank you for your cooperation. If you receive further information or amendments for this operation, please notify us so we will be able to update our files. Please reference our designated file number S/003/020 when forwarding additional information on this project to us.

Sincerely,

Anthony A. Gallegos Reclamation Engineer

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